

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 2663 – SB 2819

February 22, 2012

**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS (013105, 012909):** Amends Sections Five, Six, and Seven of the original bill. Changes, from 15 to 16, the number of members on the special committee to study the establishment of an occupational course of study for students receiving special education. Adds the Chancellor of the Tennessee Board of Regents or the Chancellor's designee as a committee member. Requires every organization participating in, or giving assistance to, the special joint committee to do so using existing resources. Requires materials used by the special joint committee to be provided by the participating organizations using existing resources.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Increase State Expenditures - \$2,100/Each One-Day Meeting

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENTS:

**Unchanged from the original fiscal note.**

Assumptions applied to amendments:

- Requiring an entity to use existing resources to implement an action that does not eliminate the cost of that action. It is assumed that the Department of Education and the General Assembly will either reduce other budget items or reduce their reversion to the General Fund to account for this increase.
- Travel and per diem for two legislative members of \$599.92 (\$173 per diem + \$126.96 mileage x 2 members).
- Meetings will be held in Nashville.
- According to the Department of Education, the average increase in state expenditures for each one-day meeting for a committee of this type is \$1,500 for travel, per diem, and meeting materials. This amount does not include legislative per diem and mileage.
- Adding the TBR Chancellor, or their designee, as a committee member will not significantly increase the cost per meeting. This member will not receive per diem or travel costs.
- The total increase in state expenditures will be \$2,100 per meeting (\$1,500 + 600).

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Lucian" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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